

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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MR. BALDWIN, from the Committee on Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill S. 1610.]

The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1610) asking for the erection of a light-house at the entrance of Little Traverse Harbor, on Lake Michigan, beg leave to report as follows:

The harbor at Little Traverse is an excellent one, but being landlocked, it presents at night the appearance of a continuous shore. It is the nearest perfectly safe harbor to the Straits of Mackinaw, and is near the route pursued by vessels going to the lower lakes. It is so situated that vessels can make it in the roughest weather, and frequently it is the only harbor they can make, but being without a light it is exceedingly hazardous to attempt to enter it on a dark night. The nearest light-house to this point is located on Beaver Island, about thirty miles distant. The Light-House Board has recommended the establishment of this light and is of the opinion that it would be very desirable as a harbor of refuge, and of great benefit to commerce. The Secretary of the Treasury estimates the cost of a light-house with fog-signal at this point at \$15,000.

The committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying bill.

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